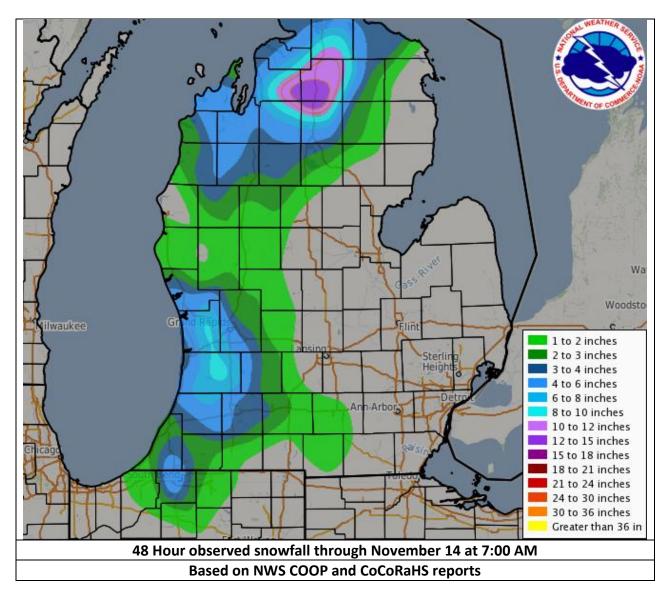
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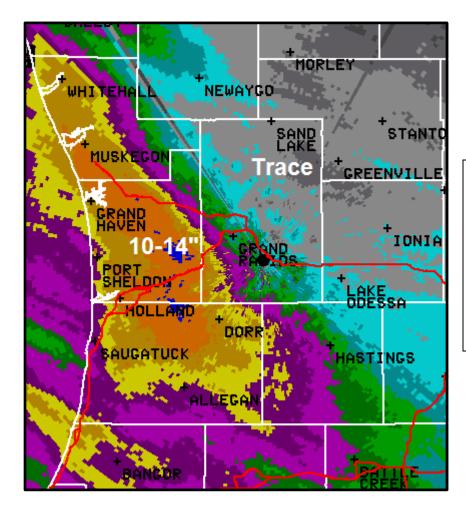
The first significant snowfall event of the season occurred Thursday through Friday as unusually cold mid-November air plunged into the Midwest. Lake Michigan water temperatures in the upper 40s helped generate lake-effect snow showers. Northwest winds focused the heaviest snow near the lake, mainly from Muskegon to Kalamazoo. The greatest totals were concentrated in central/eastern Ottawa and Allegan counties, where roughly a foot of snow fell in a number of locations.

Observed snowfall



Note: The observed snowfall amounts used to create the map above were from a coarse network of trained observers. The map will not reflect all the observations reported below. Actual snowfall totals in the above image may be higher/lower in your location. The snow depth on the ground is generally lower than these totals convey, as snow compacted during the event.

Radar estimated snowfall



This radar-estimated snowfall map shows the wide range of snow totals that fell across a fairly short distance. While the western suburbs of Grand Rapids received around a foot of snow, locations north and east of Grand Rapids received less than an inch. Officially, Grand Rapids received 1.1 inches at the Gerald R. Ford International Airport.

Event total snowfall reports

LOCATION	AMOUNT	TIME/DATE	LAT/LON
ALLEGAN			
HOPKINS 2.0 N DORR 0.4 E HOPKINS 1 N WAYLAND 2.0 W	11.3 IN 8.5 IN 8.3 IN 8.1 IN	0850 AM 11/14 0839 AM 11/14 0700 AM 11/14 0658 AM 11/14	42.65N/85.76W 42.72N/85.71W 42.64N/85.76W 42.67N/85.68W
BARRY			
4 N ORANGEVILLE HASTINGS	3.0 IN 2.3 IN	0838 AM 11/14 0700 AM 11/14	42.61N/85.52W 42.65N/85.30W

..KALAMAZOO

KALAMAZOO 6.0 SW KALAMAZOO	5.0 IN 3.0 IN		
KENT			
GRANDVILLE 1.3 WSW GRANDVILLE EAST GRAND RAPIDS 0.7 SSW GRAND RAPIDS 5.5 NNE CALEDONIA 4.4 WNW NWS FORECAST OFFICE	13.6 IN 10.0 IN 1.7 IN 1.7 IN 1.5 IN 1.1 IN		42.83N/85.59W
MUSKEGON			
MUSKEGON 4 SE	7.6 IN	0700 AM 11/14	43.18N/86.20W
NEWAYGO			
1 NNE FREMONT	2.0 IN	0645 AM 11/14	43.47N/85.94W
OSCEOLA			
REED CITY WWTP	1.4 IN	0700 AM 11/14	43.87N/85.50W
OTTAWA			
ALLENDALE 1.3 SSW HUDSONVILLE 3 SE JENISON WALKER 3.2 W HOLLAND 4.3 NNW	14.0 IN 10.5 IN 10.3 IN 7.5 IN 2.5 IN	0700 AM 11/14 0800 AM 11/14 0641 AM 11/14	42.87N/85.86W 42.88N/85.79W 42.99N/85.81W
VAN BUREN			
BANGOR BLOOMINGDALE PAW PAW 3.6 NNE PAW PAW SOUTH HAVEN	7.0 IN 6.5 IN 5.8 IN 4.5 IN 4.0 IN	0700 AM 11/14 0700 AM 11/14 0720 AM 11/14 0700 AM 11/14 0824 AM 11/14	42.27N/85.86W 42.22N/85.89W

OBSERVATIONS ARE COLLECTED FROM A VARIETY OF SOURCES WITH VARYING EQUIPMENT AND EXPOSURE. NOT ALL DATA LISTED ARE CONSIDERED OFFICIAL.